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INTERESTING ITEMS FROM THE COUNTY

News Letters From Many Sections.

CORRESPONDENTS GIVE LOCAL NEWS

Happenings of Interest to Many People all over the County and to Those Who Have Left the Family Hearthstone and gone to Other States.

Hillside, Dec. 2.—Calvin Weathers, of near Hillside, and Miss Carrie Alexander, of Starr, were married Thursday in Anderson. The groom is a prosperous young farmer, and is held in high esteem by all who know him. The bride is a beautiful young lady of many charms, and has a wide circle of friends. Their many friends wish them both many joys and no sorrow on life's long voyage. May He that walked the waters, make their like one of joy.

Hillside is soon to have a new store. Edd Bradley, one of Hillside's farmers will move out of this section next week. Edd doesn't expect to find a better place than Hillside, anyway he can't.

C. L. Weathers was last heard from in Atlanta.

Our farmers in both Greenville and Laurens counties would do well to not put quite so much confidence, or dependence in cotton next year, as they did this time. They staked all hopes on cotton, and the short crop, and tremendously low prices knocked out these props, and of course, it might have a very pleasant descent when they fell, but oh; such a landing! The farmers should plant more potatoes, sow more grain, produce more corn, and raise more pork. But somehow or other they won't do this. Maybe, it's because that is a new thing just at present, and they may be afraid of the leap. They should not be afraid of originality. Be original. There's no harm in it, but there's a lot of good sense.

Whooping cough has about died down in this section.

Lanford, Dec. 2.—The snow was quite a surprise to every one. It being a holiday, it was spent in hunting by a great many in this section, a number of rabbits and birds being killed.

Moving seems to be the order of the day here. Mr. Hembree has moved into Mr. L. M. Cannon's house, formerly occupied by Mr. Ben Williams, Mr. Williams having moved to Enoree. Mr. Wardell has rented Mr. Cloud Martin's farm and is moving his family there. Mr. W. T. Cooper has bought Mr. Wardell out. Miss Etolia Lanford has been quite sick but is able to be back at her work teaching.

Mrs. J. S. Higgins was called to the bedside of her brother, Mr. Wellie Ferguson, of Greer, whose condition is critical.

Among those who are sick are Mrs. J. W. Lanford, Mrs. H. C. Shore, Mrs. Mary Montjoy, Mrs. Minnie Willis and Miss Ruth Mattox. We wish for them a speedy recovery.

Mr. J. Lee Langston spent Thanksgiving here.

Mr. W. P. Smith, of White Pine, Tenn., spent Sunday night with Capt. J. W. Lanford.

Mr. J. M. Fleming and Mr. E. H. Moore attended the Masonic meeting in Columbia, Thanksgiving.

Miss Bessie Brown spent the weekend with her parents near Laurens.

Mrs. W. B. Harmon and son, Johnnie Bee, are visiting in Newberry.

Messrs. L. M. Cannon, John Cunningham and J. W. Lanford were in Laurens Monday on business.

Mr. J. E. Johnson and family of Gray Court, spent Thanksgiving here, with Mrs. H. M. Johnson.

The infant of Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Lanford was buried at the Baptist church here on last Thursday.

Mr. T. J. Little died at his home at Pleasant Mound Monday morning. He was buried at Bethany church near their old home. Mr. Little has been in bad health for some time. The family has the sympathy of the community.

Mr. L. M. Cannon has had lightning rods put on his house.

Mr. Clarence May spent Friday

night at Capt. J. W. Lanford's. Miss Flossie Lanford spent Thursday here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Lanford. Mrs. Robinson accompanied her.

Mr. Clyde and Baxter DeShields spent several days last week here. Mr. John Patterson was here for Thanksgiving.

Madden, Dec. 2.—A "few of the faithful" gathered to the call of the teacher Thanksgiving and helped beautify the school room. When the prize is won no doubt we'll all say "we did it!" Another case of "Betsy and I killed the bear."

The friends of Uncle John Finley will be sorry to hear that he was quite sick for a day or so last week. He is up now and we trust will soon be his usual self. For one who has led so active a life as he, it is hard to be confined to the house and as he plaintively remarked, "It is a little too soon to go into winter quarters!"

Miss Bennie Proffitt is also sick with the gripe. We trust she will soon be out again.

Messrs. N. C. and Brooks Martin of Greenville, were week-end visitors to our city recently. They were the guests, while here, of Mr. J. R. Finley and Mrs. Allison.

Mrs. Mollie Pinson and children and Missie Thompson have returned from a pleasant visit at Easley. They spent Thanksgiving with their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Miller of Easley. Mrs. Pinson also stopped over in Greenville to have the eyes of her little son, Young, treated by Dr. Carpenter. We trust the eye sight of the little fellow will be permanently benefited.

Mr. J. A. Woyard, who has had quite a serious spell of sickness is now on a visit to his sister's, Mrs. Cooper, of Greer, and Mrs. Greshaw of Simpsonville. His friends will be glad to hear he is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. John Thompson and Miss Myra Wofford, were the guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Dean. Auditor Thompson and family were the Thanksgiving guests of Judge and Mrs. Thompson.

Master John Moore Hudgens was out for the Thanksgiving holidays with his grandmother, Mrs. Langston and cousins, Tom B. and Harold Culbertson.

Mr. Claude Finley ate a birthday dinner Sunday at the home of his sister, Mrs. Frank Martin, of Laurens, it being the 21st birthday of his nephew, Mr. Roy Martin.

Dials, Dec. 2.—Thanksgiving day, the day one is supposed to "Count your blessings."

Name them one by one; Count your many blessings. See what God has done."

is just past, although very few hardly attempted to count their blessings "one by one". To have done so would have been a stupendous undertaking, when one realizes the manifold blessings to be thankful for.

Mrs. J. S. Brooks has returned to her home, after a pleasant visit with her daughter, Mrs. N. T. Nabors, of Columbia.

Mr. Herbert Owings spent several days last week with his sister Mrs. Hattie Willis.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Gillespie of Greenville, have returned to their home, after visiting Mrs. Gillespie's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harris Curry.

Mrs. J. M. Bolt has returned to her home in Greenville after spending a few days with her daughter, Mrs. W. C. Brownlee.

Mrs. H. Y. Simmons is visiting relatives in Williamston.

Mr. Langston, and daughter, Miss Betty, of Laurens, spent Thanksgiving day with Mr. J. D. Curry and family.

Miss Grace Owings spent the weekend with Miss Sue Cook of Fountain Inn.

Miss Clarinda Abercrombie died Friday, Nov. 22nd, at the home of her nephew, Mr. Laurens Darnell, after an illness of several months. She was an earnest Christian, having been a member of the home department of the Dials Sunday school for some time. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. J. P. Attaway at Dials Saturday at 11 o'clock.

The eyes of the Methodist world of South Carolina, have been turned towards Anderson where the annual conference is in session. One never knows whom the Bishop will see fit to change, and to many of the preachers it will mean the "parting of the ways". It is to be hoped that Mr.

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LAURENS BOY HEADS GAMECOCKS

John Mills, Hefty Tackle Elected Carolina's Captain for 1913.

The "C" men of the University of South Carolina last evening elected John D. Mills to serve as football captain for the season of 1913. Mr. Mills has been one of the university's mainstays during the present season and is expected to make the Gamecocks a splendid general. The election took place at the home of H. N. Edmunds, where the "C" men were delightfully entertained.

"Big" Mills plays tackle on the university team. He is from Laurens. He is very popular with the men of the university and has shown by his playing and general work on the gridiron that he is fitted for the high honor that his fellow players have bestowed upon him.—The State.

MRS. A. M. HILL.

Estimable Woman of Cross Hill Passes to the Beyond. Honorary Escort of School Children.

Cross Hill, Nov. 23.—A gloom was cast over our town last Wednesday when it became known that Mrs. A. M. Hill would probably not live 'till the next day. She died Wednesday night. Mrs. Hill had been a great sufferer and everything that loving hands and medical skill could do was done to no avail. "Death loves a shining mark." She leaves a husband four girls, the youngest about two years old, and a mother to mourn. Her body was laid to rest Thursday afternoon in the Presbyterian cemetery. Rev. J. A. Martin, conducted the services, assisted by Rev. W. D. Ratchford.

The following were pall bearers: J. O. Denny, J. H. Rasor, E. B. Rasor, M. A. Leaman, J. R. Wilcut and Marvin Anderson. Ten girls of the ninth grade dressed in white, each carrying a wreath and six little girls carrying flowers acted as honorary escort. The floral offerings were profuse and beautiful. The grave was covered with flowers. A large number of relatives and friends attended the funeral.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

Laurens Lodge, Knights of Pythias Holds Annual Election of Officers.

At the regular meeting of the Laurens Lodge, Knights of Pythias, held last Monday evening the following officers were elected for the coming year:

Chas. F. Brooks, C. C.; L. G. Roff, V. C.; C. H. Gasque, Preceptor; Dr. Bearden, M. of W.; John Peterson, K. of R. & S.; J. F. Tolbert, M. of F.; W. B. Sloan, M. of E.; Chas. H. Rounds, M. A.; Kennerly Todd, I. G.; Thomas Downey, O. G. At this meeting also, Mr. J. A. Roland was elected D. D. G. C.

At the regular meeting next Monday, the second degree will be given. The attendance during the past year has been excellent and much interest is being taken in the lodge.

L. H. Ferguson.

Mr. E. V. Ferguson was called to Greer Sunday, where he went to be present at the funeral of his brother, Mr. L. H. Ferguson, who died there after an extended illness. Mr. Ferguson was a native of this county and is remembered by a large number of people here. He is survived by four sons, six brothers and one sister. He was about 55 years of age.

At Copeland School.

Saturday evening at 7:30 o'clock, Prof. J. G. Clinkscales will make an address at Copeland school. It will be remembered that Prof. Clinkscales was to make an address there several weeks ago, but he was unavoidably detained. As an admission fee was taken up at that time and not returned, no admission fee will be charged this time. However, a small donation from those who did not attend before will be welcomed by the school.

Winona Hotel Leased.

Mr. S. W. Mitchell, an experienced hotel man who has been running a hotel in Hendersonville, has leased the Winona hotel property and has already taken charge. Mr. Mitchell is originally from Chester and is well acquainted with the hotel business. He states that it will be conducted on the highest plane and that it will be a credit to the city.

YOUNG BOY KILLED BY HIS BROTHER

Deplorable Accident in the Hurricane Section of this County Saturday.

A very deplorable accident occurred in the Hurricane section of this county, near Clinton, Saturday, when young Reeder Whitmire accidentally shot his younger brother, Copeland, with a shotgun, causing his death. The two young boys are sons of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Whitmire and they have the deepest sympathy of all in their sore bereavement.

The two boys being so young and the accident causing such a shock to the elder one, no connected facts as to how the accident occurred can be secured. However, the two were out hunting rabbits. Reeder Whitmire seemed to have been in front of his younger brother and walking with his gun on his shoulder cocked. Somehow or other, the elder boy stumbled or the hammer of the gun hit a limb or in some other way the gun was caused to fire, the load hitting the younger brother walking behind. Assistance was sought at once, but the young fellow soon died. He was buried at the Hurricane church Sunday, where many gathered with the parents at the interment.

MRS. P. J. HARRIS DEAD.

Buried in Laurens Cemetery Yesterday Morning, Rev. L. P. McGee conducting the Services.

Mrs. Letha Harris, wife of Mr. P. J. Harris, died early Monday morning at the home of her brother, Mr. Dick Owings, where they have lived for several years. Mrs. Harris had been in poor health for several years, her death being momentarily expected. The funeral services were held yesterday morning in the Laurens cemetery, Rev. L. P. McGee, her pastor, conducting the services.

The deceased was a daughter of the late Mr. "Jot" Owings. She is survived by her husband and little daughter, Janie, and other relatives.

Moves into Own Home.

Mr. and Mrs. John M. Cannon have moved into the house recently bought by Mr. Cannon from Mr. W. L. Gray. The house is located on West Main street, between the homes of Mrs. Ann Garrett and Dr. H. K. Alken. Mr. and Mrs. Cannon have been making their home heretofore with Mr. and Mrs. John F. Bolt.

Sale of Fancy Work.

The fancy work, left over from the ladies bazaar, will be on sale at Minter Company's store Wednesday, December 11th. The display will be in the front show window. A large number of beautiful pieces are still on hand. The ladies will dispose of them at attractive prices.

Pitts-Guthrie.

A marriage of considerable interest to friends in this county took place Wednesday morning at Burlington, N. C., when Miss Alvenia Clegg Guthrie, the charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. O. Guthrie, and Mr. Olin Bascom Pitts, of Cross Hill, were united in marriage. The Forest Street Methodist church was the scene of this beautiful event. Long before the appointed hour, 10:45 o'clock, the church was filled with relatives and friends. Mrs. W. S. Rives presided at the organ and rendered a program of wedding music. Just preceding the ceremony, Miss Eloise Guthrie, cousin of the bride, sang "Because". Rev. J. O. Guthrie, uncle of the bride, performed the ceremony.

The ushers were: Messrs. Steve Moore, Ernest Holt, Josh Lashly and Vitus Holt. Mr. E. S. Y. Dameron was groomsmen. Miss Florence Pitts, sister of the groom, was the bridesmaid. The groom entered with his brother, Mr. Wesley Pitts, of South Carolina, as best man. The bride entered on the arm of her sister, Miss Ada Guthrie. She never looked prettier than on this, her wedding day. She wore a suit of dark blue cloth with chiffon blouse and other accessories to match, and carried a bouquet of bride's roses and lilies of the valley.

Following the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Pitts left for their home in Cross Hill. The popularity of this young couple was attested by the handsome array of wedding gifts.

On Tuesday evening a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents for the bridal party.

MEETING OF TEACHERS.

Prof. J. G. Clinkscales will Address Teachers at the School Auditorium Saturday.

Miss Wil Lou Gray, rural school supervisor, has announced that the County Teachers Association will hold its monthly meeting in the graded school auditorium here Saturday morning. The meeting will open promptly at 11 o'clock, so all the teachers are urged to be on time.

The feature of the day will be an address by Prof. J. G. Clinkscales, of Wofford college. Prof. Clinkscales is too well known in Laurens county to attempt to tell who he is, the mere announcement being sufficient to guarantee a splendid meeting.

After the address by Prof. Clinkscales, a round table discussion on "The General Appearance of Schools" will be held. It is expected that the teachers will come prepared to enter into this discussion with a great deal of spirit as this phase of education is receiving more attention now than it ever before. Laurens county has occupied a prominent part in the movement to improve the school buildings and she is now expected to show an equal interest in making beautiful those she has by decorating the rooms and beautifying the grounds.

Miss Gray states that many teachers experience considerable difficulty in securing conveyances to attend these meetings. She requests that the trustees take some interest in this matter by providing a way for the teachers to get here. She holds that inasmuch as the teachers are trying, with all the means they have at hand, to increase the efficiency of themselves and their schools that the trustees should lend a hand and cooperate by providing the conveyances for them to attend. A horse and buggy for a few hours Saturday would enable the teachers to attend this most important meeting.

UNION WANTS GNE.

"The School Journal" Makes a Hit in Union County.

Prof. Goodwin, a Laurens boy, who is teaching school in Union county, came over during the Thanksgiving holidays to get some information about the "School Journal" which is being published by the Laurens County Teachers Association. He stated that those interested in school improvement in Union county were strongly impressed with the "Journal" as an incentive to better school work, and had decided to begin publication of a similar organ at once.

This is only one of many score compliments to the progressiveness of the Laurens county schools obtained through the "School Journal". Inquiries are coming in almost every day as to the methods used in its publication and with each inquiry comes a compliment.

Ryland Boyd Dead.

News was received in the city yesterday of the death of Ryland Boyd, the young son of Mr. R. Dunk Boyd, of the Trinity Ridge section. The young man, just about sixteen years of age, has been sick for some days with pneumonia and his death was not unexpected. The interment took place yesterday afternoon at Chestnut Ridge church, a large number of friends being present to witness the last ceremonies. Ryland Boyd was a young man of exemplary character and beautiful disposition, being popular among all of his friends and elders. The parents have the sympathy of all who know them in their great bereavement.

Beautiful Song Service.

The choir of the Methodist and Presbyterian churches united at the Presbyterian church Sunday evening and rendered a splendid sacred song service, a short talk being made by Rev. C. F. Rankin on the place music and song has occupied in the christianizing of the world. Besides several duets and quartets, a number of choruses taken from the cantata Saul were sung. The service was largely attended and very much appreciated.

Miss Janie Featherstone Dead.

Miss Janie Featherstone, of Anderson, well known in this city as the sister of Hon. C. C. Featherstone, died at her home yesterday morning. She was stricken with paralysis last summer and never recovered. Her death is deeply deplored by all who know her here. The interment will take place in Anderson.

LARGE CROWD HERE ON SALES DAY

Real Estate Brought Fair Prices.

BIDDING LIVELY ON SOME TRACTS

In Spite of the Depression in Business Circles and the Tight Condition of the Money Market, the Land Sales Monday were Well Attended and Fair Prices Ruled.

Monday was salesday of December and the usual large crowd was in the city. A large number of sales were made by county officers and by private parties, some of the land bringing very good prices considering the short crop and complaint of tight money.

Clerk of Court Sales.

In the case of Joel Blackwell, et al., vs R. A. Cooper, 160 acres known as the Thomas Coats place on Rabun creek, bought by R. A. Cooper for \$960.

In the case of Lucy B. Hunt, et al., vs C. D. Barksdale, et al., 122 acres known as the J. Wash Williams place near Mountville, sold to A. M. Hill for \$3,600.

In the case of Bessie B. Smith vs John T. Hill, 46 acres of land in Cross Hill township, bought by J. H. M. Smith for \$1,775.

In the case of Dr. Frank M. Lander vs Grace Matthews Lander and Lula W. Allen, 165 acres in Cross Hill township, bought by Dr. Frank M. Lander for \$1,000.

In the case of M. S. B. Goodwin vs R. E. Goodwin et al., 124 acres known as the Goodwin home place, bought by O. P. Goodwin for \$4,000.

In the case of M. S. Bailey & Son vs Wateree Baptist church, two and one half acres with church thereon, bought by R. T. Dunlap for \$335.

In the case of Eugenia Nichols et al., vs H. L. Roper and D. A. Martin, et al., all tracts bought by H. L. Roper for the total sum of \$6,110.

Sheriff's Sale.

In the case of the Enterprise Bank vs Ursula M. Wallace and Thos. M. Shaw, both tracts were bought by B. Y. Wallace, tract No. 1, a house and lot on Laurel street, for \$2,700; tract No. 2, another house and lot on Laurel street, at present unoccupied, \$1,600.

In the case of Clara H. Babb vs John Williams et al., a lot on Green street, bought by Ben Madden for \$175.

In the case of Laurens Trust Co., vs E. B. Templeton, J. C. Templeton, et al., six lots on place known as Badgett lands, bought by Laurens Trust Co. for \$500.

Probate Judge's Sales.

In the case of Annie B. Hopkins and J. W. Valentine vs Wellie B. Valentine et al., 46 and 87-100 acres near Ware Shoals, bought by Annie B. Hopkins for \$500.

In the case of M. L. Nash, as administrator of the estate of James A. Austin, vs Mary E. Austin, 152 acres of land, known as the Samuel Austin home place, bought by M. L. Nash for \$1,475; also, house and lot on South Harper street, bought by M. L. Nash for \$4,000.

Private Sales.

In addition to these sales, several private sales were made. W. B. Knight, as administrator of the will and testament of Margaret M. Dial, sold 100 acres near Barksdale station known as the "Quarter". This was bought in by the estate at \$975.

Dr. J. S. Wolf bought in for himself the tract of 89 acres put on sale by him, \$1,500 being the highest bid.

The 140 acres advertised for sale by Mrs. M. F. Farrow was bought in by her representatives for \$4,000.

TO MAKE LONG CRUISE.

Samuel McGowan to Accompany Atlantic Fleet as Paymaster on Voyage Beginning January 5.

Washington, Dec. 2.—Pay Inspector Samuel McGowan was today detached from the navy pay office at Philadelphia and is in Washington to settle accounts preparatory to becoming fleet paymaster of the Atlantic fleet January 5. After remaining here a few days, Mr. McGowan will go to South Carolina and say goodbye to the people at home before starting on his long cruise.—The State